## IN THE FAMILY COURT OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE ORDER AMENDING RULE 39

## TO THE FAMILY COURT RULES OF CRIMINAL PROCEDURE

This day of 2007, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. Rule 39 of the Family Court Rules of Criminal Procedure shall read:

## Rule 39 Appeals to Family Court.

- (a) Time. All appeals to Family Court shall be taken within 15 days from the date of sentence, unless otherwise provided by statute. When an appeal is taken the clerk of the court below shall forthwith transmit the appeal bond and a certified transcript of the record, to the Clerk of the Court.
- (b) De novo. The Clerk shall not enter an appeal de novo until the appeal bond and a certified transcript of the record is filed with the Clerk's office. On the entry of an appeal the Clerk shall forthwith give notice in writing thereof to the Attorney General. On receipt of such notice the Attorney General shall promptly file an information with the Clerk's office, whereupon the proceeding will continue in accordance with these rules.
- (c) On the record. An appeal on the record shall proceed in accordance with Family Court Civil Rule 72 as it is applicable to criminal cases and is not inconsistent with a statute or these rules.
- (d) Stay. An appeal to, or writ of certiorari issuing from, Family Court shall operate as a stay of the judgment and proceedings in the court below on giving the required bond and surety. The decision of the judge of the court below as to bond and surety may be reviewed by a judge of this court.
- (e) Assigned counsel. Counsel assigned in other courts to represent an indigent defendant in criminal proceedings shall also represent said defendant on appeal in this court. This court may appoint additional or substitute counsel for the appellant. Fees and disbursements for the representation of an indigent defendant before this court shall be governed by Rule 44.
- (f) By the State. The State shall file a notice of appeal under 10 Del. C. § 9902, or an application for appeal under 10 Del. C. § 9903 within 30 days of the entry of the order appealed from. An application for appeal shall contain a statement of the nature of the proceeding below and of the substantial question of law or procedure to be decided. An appeal by the State shall be on the record.

- (g) Dismissal. An appeal may be dismissed for lack of jurisdiction or for failure to comply with a statutory requirement or rule or order of this court.
- 2. This amendment shall be effective 30 days after notice to members of the Bar.

BY THE COURT:

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Chandlee Johnson Kuhn Chief Judge	
Judge Jay H. Conner	Judge Kenneth M., Millman
Judge William N. Nicholas	Judge William J. Walls, Jr.
Judge Mark D. Buckworth	Judge William L. Chapman Vr.
Cuda Waserstein Judge Aida Waserstein	Barbara D. Crowell
Judge Peter B. Jones	Judge Mardi F. Pyott
Judge John E. Honriksen	Judge Robert B. Coonin
Judge Arlene Minus Joppadge	Judge Michael K. Newell
Judge Alan N. Cooper	Judge Joelle P. Hitch